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Title : SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR SHARED USE OF COMMON GPIO LINE
TC/Art Unit : 2182
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2011 South Clark Place
Customer Window, **Mail Stop Amendment**
Crystal Plaza Two, Lobby, Room 1B03
Arlington, VA 22202

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. Fees have been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Extra	Rate		Amount
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Number of Claims in Excess of 20	44	44	0	\$ 18.00	\$ 9.00	\$ 0.00
Independent Claims in Excess of 3	4	4	0	\$ 86.00	\$ 43.00	\$ 0.00
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c) Three Months				\$ 950.00	\$ 475.00	\$ 0.00
d) Four Months				\$1480.00	\$ 740.00	\$ 0.00
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Other:						\$ 0.00
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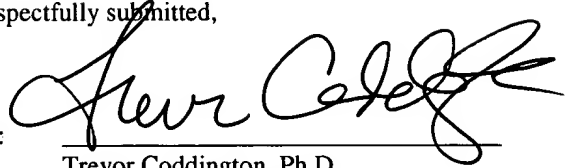
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Small Entity Status Claim: ☐ is hereby requested. ☐ is of record in this application.

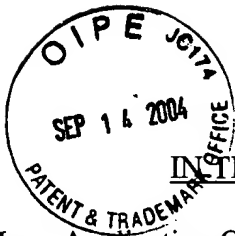
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REPLY TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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Dear Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action mailed on June 14, 2004, Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments and reconsideration of all rejections in view of these amendments and the following remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

In sum, claims 8, 18, 28, and 37 are currently amended.

Claims 1-7, 9-17, 19-27, 29-36, and 38-44 remain unchanged.

No claims have been canceled or added.

Accordingly, claims 1-44 are currently pending.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.